



## Section 1: Identification of the Material and Supplier

**Product Name:** Shift

**Other Names:** Alkaline surfactant solution.

**Proper shipping name (ADG Code):** None assigned.

**Recommended use:** As a multi-purpose industrial cleaner.  
Use diluted as directed on the product label.

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## Section 2: Hazards Identification

Classified as hazardous according to criteria of Worksafe Australia.  
Non-dangerous goods.

**Risk Phrases:** R: 36/38 Irritating to eyes and skin.

**Safety Phrases:** S: 1/2 Keep locked up and out of the reach of children.  
S: 26 In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.  
S: 37/39 Wear suitable gloves and eye/face protection.  
S: 45 In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label whenever possible).

## Section 3: Composition/Information on Ingredients

**Ingredients:**

Sodium hydroxide	[1310-73-2]	< 2 %
Surfactants		< 10 %
Glycol ethers		< 10 %
Other ingredients deemed not to be hazardous		< 10 %
Water	[7732-18-5]	to 100 %

## Section 4: First Aid Measures

**For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre (Phone 131126) or a doctor.**

**Swallowed:** If swallowed, do NOT induce vomiting.

**Skin:** If skin or hair contact occurs, remove contaminated clothing and flush skin and hair with running water. Wash clothing thoroughly before re-use.

**Eyes:** If in eyes, hold eyelids apart and flush the eye continuously with running water. Continue flushing until advised to stop by the Poisons Information Centre or a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.

**Inhaled:** Remove from exposure.

### **First Aid facilities:**

**Recommended:** Eye wash. Hand wash basin.

### **Advice to Doctor:**

Product is an alkaline aqueous solution containing low proportions of sodium hydroxide and mixed surfactants. Risk of serious damage to eyes. Contact Poisons Information Centre.

### **Aggravated medical conditions:**

Pre-existing skin disorders.

## Section 5: Fire Fighting Measures

**HAZCHEM Code:** None assigned.

**Extinguishant:** Water.

**Risk of violent reaction or explosion:** No.

**Products of combustion:** Water vapour, oxides of carbon, oxides of nitrogen.

**Protective Equipment:** Breathing apparatus and protective gloves for fire only.

## Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

### **Emergency Procedures:**

Contain.

### **For large spills:**

Contain spillages with sand or earth. Transfer both liquid and solids to suitable container(s). Treat residues as for small spills.

**For small spills:**

If local regulations permit, mop up with plenty of water and run to waste, diluting greatly with running water. Otherwise absorb on inert absorbent and transfer to suitable container. Wash site of spillage thoroughly with water and detergent.

## Section 7: Handling and Storage

**Precautions for safe handling:**

Avoid contact with skin and eyes.  
Avoid breathing concentrated vapours.

**Conditions for safe storage:**

Store in a cool, well ventilated place, out of reach of children. Large quantities should be stored in a banded area. Store in original container. Keep container tightly closed and out of direct sunlight. Keep away from acids, oxidising agents. Protect from physical damage. Clean up all spills and splashes promptly; avoid secondary accidents.

**Incompatibles:**

Acids, oxidising agents, active metals.

## Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

**National Exposure Standards:**

<b>ES-TWA:</b>	Sodium hydroxide	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
	Diethylene glycol monoethyl ether; none assigned by NOHSC, but see:	25 ppm (WEEL)
<b>ES-STEL:</b>	None assigned.	
<b>ES-PEAK:</b>	Sodium hydroxide	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Notations:</b>	None.	

*[Peak] indicates a ceiling concentration which should not be exceeded, even momentarily.*

**Biological Limit Values:** No data.

**Engineering Controls:**

Avoid using aluminium, tin, zinc or galvanised iron as materials of construction.  
Ensure adequate ventilation (same as outdoors) when using.  
If handling industrial quantities, or if vapour/aerosol risk exists, consider local mechanical exhaust/extraction to keep airborne contamination as low as possible, and at least below the TLV.

**Personal Protective Equipment:**

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid breathing concentrated vapours. Personal protection to be selected from those recommended below, as appropriate to mode of use, quantity handled and degree of hazard:-

**Normal Use:**

Eye/face protection  
Gloves, rubber or plastic.

**Industrial Quantities:**

Face shield or safety glasses  
Gloves, rubber or plastic  
Plastic apron, sleeves and boots  
Impervious overalls.

## Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance:	Clear, orange-red, mobile liquid.
Odour:	Slightly rancid smell.
pH:	Very alkaline.
Vapour Pressure:	No data.
Vapour Density:	No data.
Boiling Point:	> 100 °C
Melting Point:	No data.
Volatiles:	About 84 % [as water]
Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC):	< 5 %
Evaporation Rate:	No data.
Solubilities:	Miscible with water.
Specific Gravity/Density:	About 1 g/mL.
Flash Point:	None.
Flammable Limits:	None.
Dust Explosion:	Not applicable.
Auto-ignition Temperature:	No data.

**Other Information:**

Alkaline mixture. May react vigorously with strong acids.  
May react with oxidising agents.  
Contact with aluminium, tin or zinc may generate hydrogen, a flammable gas.  
Slippery when spilled.

## Section 10: Stability and Reactivity

**Chemical Stability:** Stable under normal conditions.

**Conditions to Avoid:** Incompatible materials.

**Incompatible Materials:** Acids, oxidising agents, active metals.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Oxides of carbon, oxides of nitrogen.

**Hazardous Reactions:** May react vigorously with acids.



## Section 13: Disposal Considerations

The generator of any wastes from this product is responsible for its proper classification, transport and disposal.

Consult appropriate local and State regulations.

### Disposal methods and containers:

Avoid disposal to natural waters or the environment. Contains a small proportion of phosphate; may contribute to the development of algal blooms.

### Special precautions for landfill or incineration:

Unsuitable for incineration.

## Section 14: Transport Information

<b>UN Number:</b>	None assigned.
<b>UN Proper shipping name:</b>	None assigned.
<b>Class and subsidiary risk:</b>	None.
<b>Packaging group:</b>	None.
<b>Special precautions for user:</b>	Keep away from acids.
<b>HAZCHEM Code:</b>	None assigned.
<b>Material for export:</b>	Not regulated.

## Section 15: Regulatory Information

<b>Poisons (SUSDP):</b>	Schedule 5; sodium hydroxide 5 % or less and with pH 11.5 or higher.			
<b>Dangerous Goods:</b>	No.			
<b>Carcinogen:</b>	<b>Australia</b>	<b>IARC</b>	<b>NTP</b>	<b>RTECS</b>
	No.	No.	No.	No.
<b>Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Act:</b>	No data.			
<b>Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS):</b>	Listed.			
<b>Other National/International Regulations:</b>	No data.			

## Section 16: Other information

**Date of MSDS update:** September 2010  
Replacement of expired MSDS, slight alteration in formulation.

**Abbreviations:**

NOHSC - National Occupational Health and Safety Commission.  
ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists.  
MAK - Maximum workplace concentration - Germany,  
(*maximale Arbeitsplatzkonzentration*)  
IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer (France).  
NPT - National Toxicology Program (USA).  
RTECS - Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances.  
WEEL - AIHA Workplace Environmental Exposure Level.

**Literature references:****Other Available Sources of Data:**

*National Code of Practice for the Preparation of Material Safety Data Sheets 2nd Edition [2011(2003)] - NOHSC.*  
*Australian Dangerous Goods Code.*  
*Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Drugs and Poisons - AHMAC.*  
*Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment [1003]- NOHSC.*  
*List of Designated Hazardous Substances [10005] - NOHSC.*  
*Merck Index - Merck Inc.*  
*Sax's Dangerous Properties of Industrial Materials - Lewis.*  
*Handbook of Toxic and Hazardous Chemicals and Carcinogens - Sittig.*  
*Handbook of Reactive Chemical Hazards - Bretherick.*  
*Hawley's Condensed Chemical Dictionary - Wiley Interscience.*  
*AUSREG's Chemical Data Package for PCs - AUSREG Consultancy.*